

11/18/21 Slide Presentation

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REDISTRICTING THE CITY OF MIAMI



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- **Census data**

- 2010 total population was 399,489
- 2020 population is 442,241
- Increase of 42,752 residents or 10.7% increase in population.

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442,241 ÷ 5 = 88,448.2

POPULATION

DISTRICTS

IDEAL
POPULATION

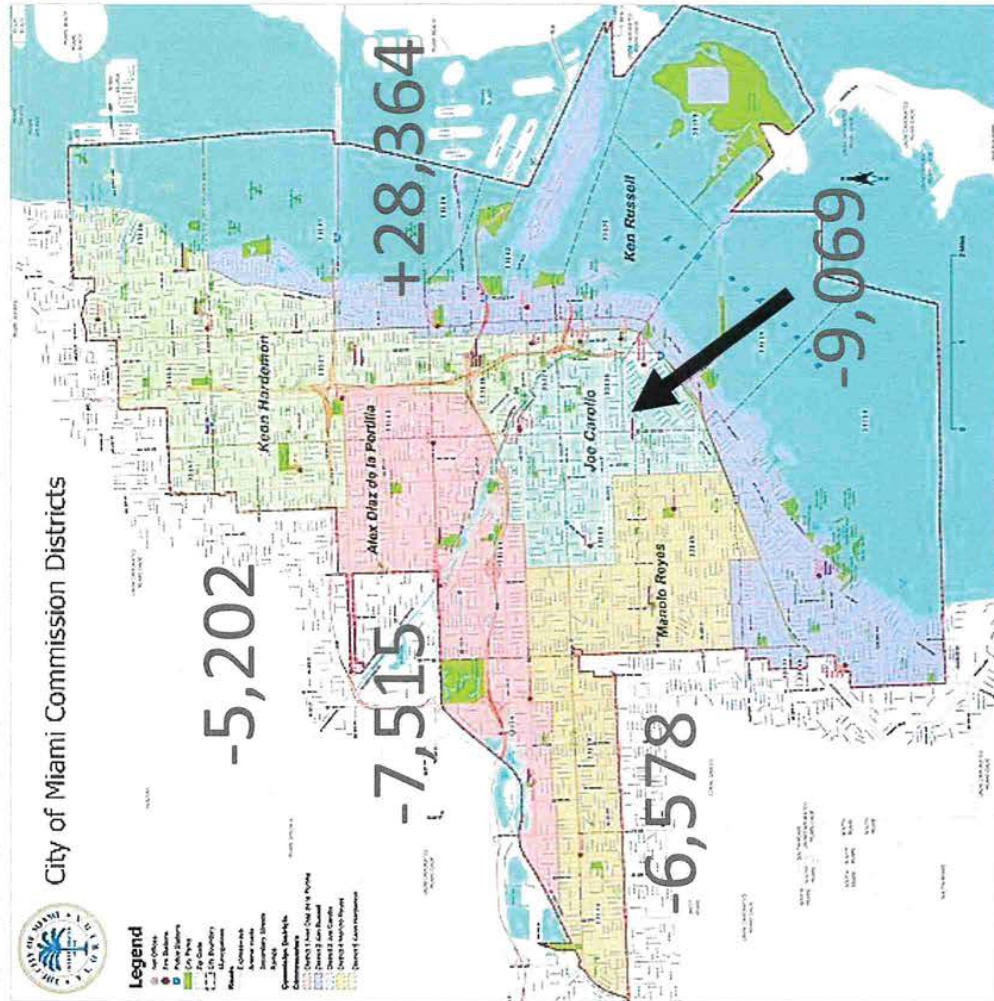
The map displays various Miami Commission Districts with their respective populations:

- District 8 (Khan Hardeman):** 83,176
- District 9 (Alex Diaz de la Portilla):** 80,863
- District 10 (Manolo Royas):** 81,800
- District 11 (Joe Curella):** 116,742
- District 12 (Ken Russell):** 79,309

A large black arrow points from the Joe Curella district towards the Manolo Royas district.

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Deviation
from the ideal
in each
District



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TOTAL DEVIATION OF
THE CURRENT PLAN

32.09% Over - District 2
+ 10.26% Under- District 3

42.35% Total Deviation

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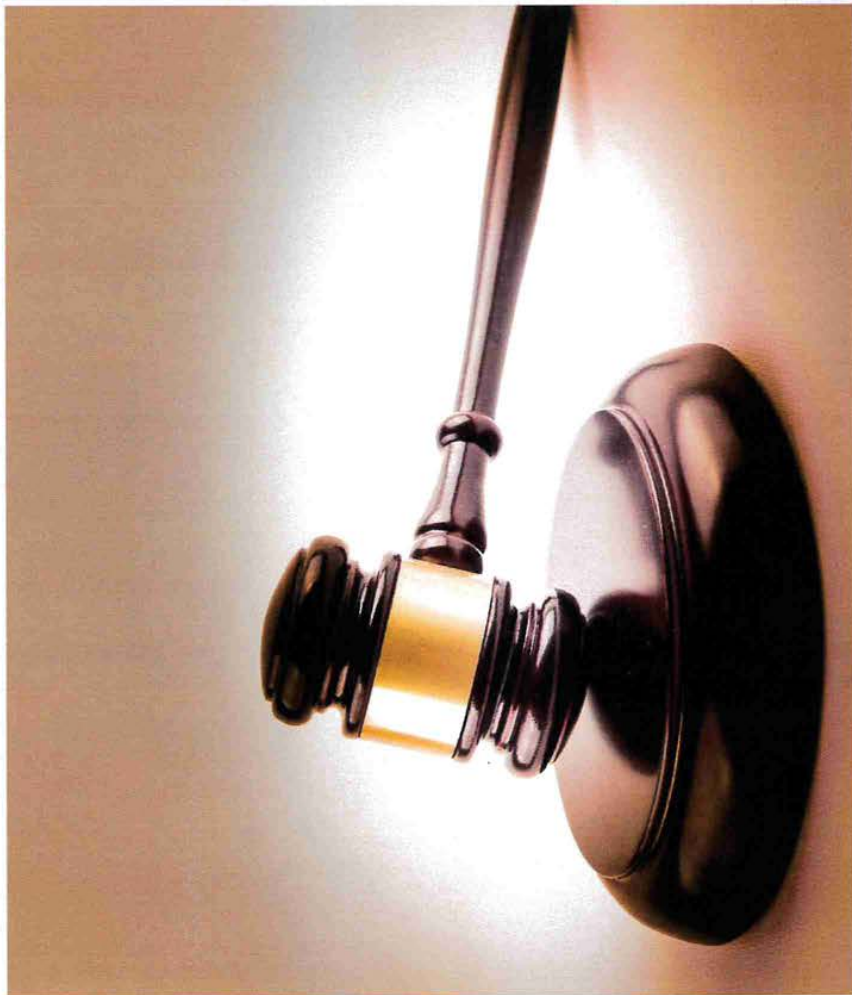
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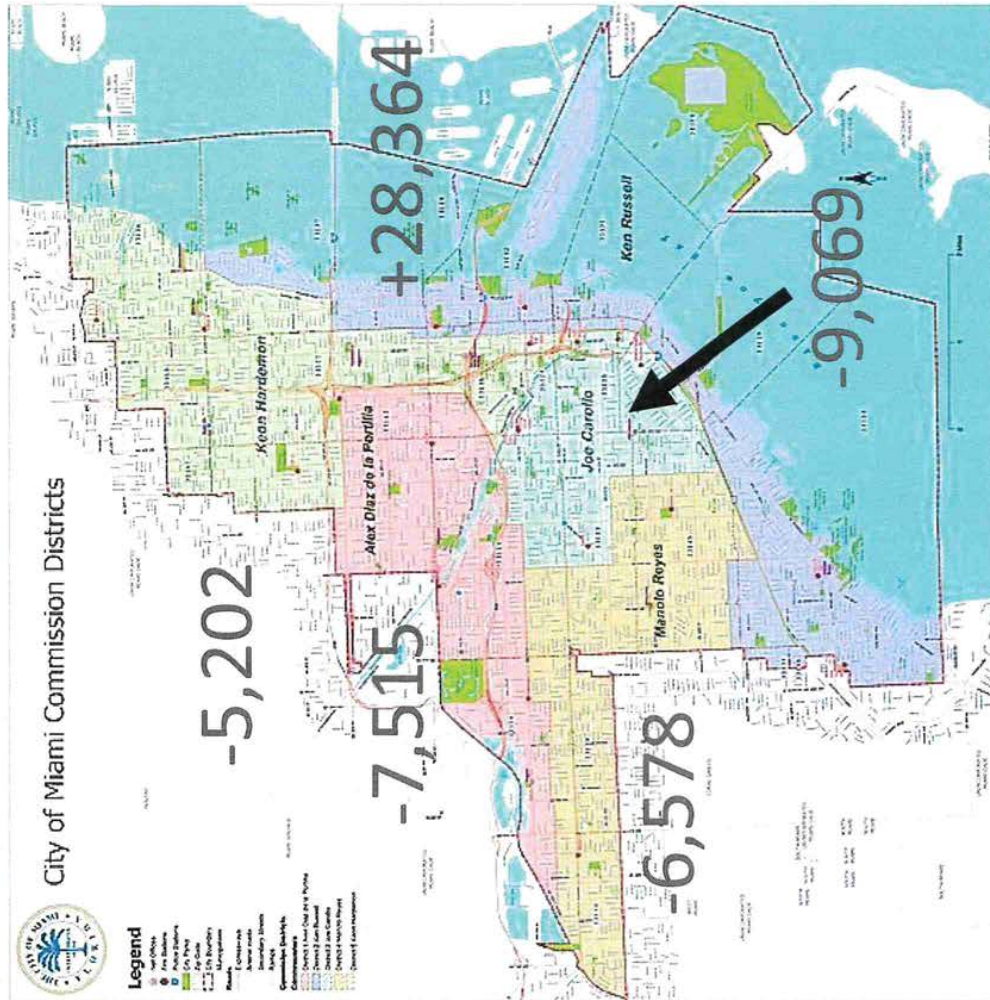
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PRESENT PLAN
WITH 42.35%
DEVIATION WOULD
BE STRUCK DOWN



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TASK: CHANGE EXISTING BOUNDARIES IN ORDER TO RE-BALANCE POPULATION



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THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965

- Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 prohibits voting practices or procedures that discriminate on the basis of race, color, or membership in one of the language minority groups
- This can include the use of redistricting to pack protected minorities into fewer districts than they could form the majority in (PACKING)
- Or splitting compact minority population between districts to lessen the number they could form a majority in (CRACKING)

VOTING RIGHTS ACT THRESHOLD

- A protected minority group must be large enough and compact enough to comprise a majority in a single-member district
- Minority voters must be politically cohesive
- The majority must usually vote as a bloc to thwart the election of the minority preferred candidate

2020 REDISTRICTING ANALYSIS

- The black population in the District 5 area is relatively compact.
- Voting analysis shows that Black voters are still politically cohesive
- Voting analysis also shows that Non-Black voters still prefer different candidates than Black voters.

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PRIME DIRECTIVES

- Comply with the requirements of the U.S. Constitution to achieve substantial population equality among districts.
- Comply with the Federal Voting Rights Act.
- Comply with the 14th Amendment (race conscious, but not race driven)

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TRADITIONAL REDISTRICTING CRITERIA

- Compactness (a measure of a district's geometric shape)
- Contiguity (all parts of the district must be connected)
- Preserving communities of interest (single-family residential, high-density residential areas, traditional neighborhoods, business districts, coastal or environmentally sensitive areas, etc.)
- Preserving the cores of prior districts (to provide continuity of representation and avoid voter confusion)
- Use of man made or natural boundaries when feasible (a river, a major expressway, major roads such as section lines, roads, or the boundaries of traditional neighborhoods)
- Any other non racial or ethnic rational or important city interest.

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COMMISSION'S POLICY DIRECTION

- Mathematical equality or “substantial equality”?
- Determine what Traditional Redistricting principles to employ
- Provide guidance on how it wishes the these Traditional Redistricting Criteria to be balanced.
- For instance, emphasizing compactness could mean the creation of districts that may not respect the core of existing districts.

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COMMISSION'S POLICY DIRECTION

- Policy direction regarding public hearings.
- **Before the plan is developed, or when the draft plan is presented for the Commission's consideration in a public meeting?**
- Delay in release of Census data has impacted the timeline.
- Division of Elections needs to re-precinct for County's 2022 election. Requested completion of plan by end of February 2022.